IMI’s 6th Call for proposals
Procedures & Practicalities

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Call 6: Key steps and timelines

Stage 1

- Launch of the Call
  - 24 May

- Submission of Expressions of Interest
  - 9 July

- 1st peer review: (remote + panel meeting)

- Ethical screening of 1st ranked consortia by ethical experts

- Approval of the 1st ranked consortia by IMI Governing Board

- Invitation to submit Full Project Proposal

- Submission of Full Project Proposal by Full Consortium

- Early August

Stage 2

- Administrative & financial negotiations
  - Full Consortium + IMI Executive Office

- 2nd peer review (remote + panel meeting) including ethical evaluation

- Go / no-go decision on the Full Project Proposal by IMI Gov. Board

- Description of Work (Annex I to Grant Agreement)
  - Full Consortium + IMI Executive Office

- Approval of Budget by IMI Governing Board

- Signature of Grant Agreement by Full Consortium and IMI Executive Office

- Early November

Contract negotiation

- Signature Project Agreement by Full Consortium

- End December
Submission of Expressions of Interest

Submission of separate Expressions of Interest (EoI) for each of the following (sub)topics:

- **Subtopic 1A**: Establishment of clinical investigator network, surveillance and epidemiology programs & innovative trials design
- **Subtopic 1B**: Conduct of clinical trials supporting the development of GSK 1322322
- **Topic 2**: Creating new knowledge and sharing data to boost antibiotic R&D
Subtopic 1A EoI: key points to consider

- Indicative budget for IMI-JU beneficiaries: € 5 M

- WP1: - will be in charge of open calls to include additional beneficiaries as needed
  - will work with similar WPs in other ND4BB topics to ensure cross-topic collaboration and dissemination

- Attention to be paid to expectations from investigators and sites forming the investigators network (GCP and high-quality clinical microbiology lab)

- Merge with subtopic 1B for the preparation of Topic 1 FPP
Subtopic 1B EoI: key points to consider

- Indicative budget for IMI-JU beneficiaries (€ 88 M)
  - clinical studies: € 48-53 M
    - CRO subcontracting: € 20 M
    - Biomarkers/endpoints: € 15-20 M
- 2 trials at the initiation of the project (WP5A and WP5C)
- 2 additional trials (WP5B and WP5D):
  - to be defined later according to milestones completion
  - might include additional partners selected by open calls handled by the consortium with IMI JU guidance
- Sites/investigators must fulfill specified requirements
- Geographic distribution of MRSA
Subtopic 1B: Geographical distribution of multiresistant Staphylococcus aureus

Source: EARS-Net. Only data from countries reporting more than 10 isolates are shown.
• Indicative budget for IMI-JU beneficiaries: € 16 M

• 8 workpackages

• WP8: will lead ND4BB cross-topic collaboration and dissemination
Links between (sub) topics of Call 6

EoI

Subtopic 1B

WP5 C→D
WP5 A→B

Subtopic 1A

WP 2-4
WP 1

Topic 2

WP 8
WP 1-7

FPP

WP5 C→D
WP5 A→B
WP 2-4
WP 1

Topic 1

ND4BB DATA HUB

Topic 2

WP 8
WP 1-7
Evaluation and ranking of Expressions of Interest

- Peer-review evaluation and ranking using the same peer-review process as for Call 5

- New EoI Guidance/Template and Evaluation form to accommodate the specific case of clinical trial centres (*re section partnership – individual participants*)

- The evaluation panel may recommend to merge the first-ranked consortium with other applicants’ consortium(a) for the preparation of the Full Project Proposal (FPP)

- The first-ranked EoIs are screened by ethical experts to provide guidance on key ethical questions to be addressed in the FPP
Preparation and evaluation of Full Project Proposals

- The first-ranked consortia for subtopic 1A and subtopic 1B are merged and invited to prepare the Topic 1 FPP together with the EFPIA consortium

- The first-ranked consortium for Topic 2 is invited to prepare the topic 2 FPP together with the EFPIA consortium

- The FPPs of Topic 1 and Topic 2 are evaluated by experts’ panels including ethical experts for go/no-go recommendation to the IMI Governing Board (GB) (same procedure as for Call 5)

- Following the GB decision, successful consortia are invited to finalize negotiations and to sign project agreements and grant agreements
Questions?

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